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FRIDAY EVENING,

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INTER-AMERICAN APPEAL **GOES TO MEXICO TODAY**

ARMY LINES HELD VILLA PLANS TO TAUT AGAINST THE ELIMINATE SELF **MEXICAN RAIDERS** FROM SITUATION

Bands Are Reported.

Fewer Depredations by Outlaw Carranza's Chief Foe Aids Pan-American Program.

Another Bandit Slain in Sharp Asks Only That Cientificoes Be Brush Near Mercedes.

Barred Out.

Bound for Vera Cruz.

ported to Washington.

Loredo, Aug. 13.—Under the glaring headlines "If You Are a Mexican Read This," a constitu-tionalist paper here today printed a story declaring it might be nec-essary at any time for Mexicans to take up arms in the support of Carranzista principles.

Washington, Aug. 13.—The inter-American appeal to all factions in

sary for the success of a Mexican

now be \$1.45 and \$1.35 a ton.

REAL AID IN SHIP HORROR

IRON HAND ON TERRORISTS WARSHIPS STILL GO SOUTH

Texas Officials, at Rockport, Battlers Off Florida Coast; Plan Effectual Measures.

Reports Show Marauders Work No Change in Troubled Port Re-Under "San Diego Plan."

Washington, Aug. 13.-President Wilson personally took up the situation on the Mexican border today with Acting Secre-tary Breekinridge of the war department, and gave directions that sufficient troops be held ready for any emergencies. Governor Fergu-son's telegram asking for more troops is being held at the war de-partment awaiting further word from Major General Funston.

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Prownsylle, Tex., Aug. 13.—Although few depredations on the part of the bands of Mexican raiders were reported here in the last twenty-four hours, anthorities in the lower Rio Grande valley continued today to take formulation of the factions in the last twenty-four municated to all factions in American appeal to all factions appeal to nicasures to suppress the lawlessness ficials to whom the appeal is ad-that almost had brought about a reign dressed, but this now is practically

that almost had brought about a reign of terror in this section.

Developments in this matter were expected to follow the conference which was to be held at Rockport, Tex. today, where Governor Ferguson is spending his vacation. Besides the governor, Adjutant General Henry Hutchins, John N. Garner, congrassman from Texas, and other prominent citizens of the state were to discuss the border situation. Further proof that the outbreaks are due to a conspiracy of Mexicans from both sides of the Rio Grande was to be land left as Grander are acting under.

That the raiders are acting under descent this now is practically complete. Secretary Lansing said to-day there would be no further conference with the Latin American diplomats until replies had been received.

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That the raiders are acting under the "plan of San Diego" was indicated in the reports of United States officials reaching the headquarters of the southern department at San Antonio. The reports quoted from literature said to have been distributed in large quantities in the border counties of Texas.

Country expected.

General Villa's proposal of a three-months' truce for a peace convention has been unacted upon by this government. Villa's offer, it was suggested, would be valuable in aiding conference with regard to Mexico, after replies have been received to the

Texas.

The killing of a Mexican supposed to have been a member of one of the bands of marauders at Mercedes, Tex., last night, was the latest death to be (Continued on Page 2.)

which she said she was proud that her son had died in the service of his country but that as he had been her

contry but that as he had been her sole support she hoped the government could help her in some way.

The president's letter given out today at the White House follows:

"My Dear Madame: I have read your letter of August 3 with the deepsympathy. I feel like congratulat you none the less in profound sym-

am sure that it would be the Washington, Aug. 13.—Ultimate reductions in hard coal prices were seen by the first public service to see that you did not suffer need because of your son's death. I am sending your letter to the secretary of the navy to inquire secretary of the navy to inquire whether there is any possibility under the law, as it stands, of assisting you.

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Weather Forecast For Kansas. Unsettled with showers in east and central portions tonight and probably east portion Saturday; not much change in temperature

GENERAL SCOTT HELD ON BORDER FOR EMERGENCY

Washington, Aug. 13.—Major General Scott, chief of staff of the army, has been ordered to remain as El Paso to be ready for any mission the state department may have on the border. General Scott is reporting directly to Secretary Lansing.

While General Scott is acting as an agent of the state department in connection with negotiations be

in connection with negotiations between the Mexican factions, he is also watching the border situation and is in communication with Major General Funston.

War department officials say they have no knowledge of the work the state department is asking of the chief of staff.

No more troops were ordered to-No more troops were ordered to-day to the border.

RUSSIANS BLOCK NO "GOLD BRICK" GERMANIC DRIVE FOR PETROGRAD

Baltic Flank of Kaiser's Armies Held in Check.

Reinforced Slavs in Desperate Counter-Charges.

FORTRESS OF KOVNO HOLDING

Teutonic Drives Toward Riga Have Been Repulsed.

Dvinsk, Key to Russ Capital, Still in Czar's Hands.

Berlin, Aug. 13—(via London).
—The Polish city of Siedlee, 55
miles southeast of Warsaw, has
been captured by the Germans.
Announcement to this effect was made today at army beadquar-

The city of Siedlee lay directly in the path of the Teutonic forces which pressed eastward from Warsaw after the capture of the place. It is in this section that the Austro-German forces are advancing most rapidly. Sledice is the capital of the prov-ince of that name and has some 25,000 inhabitants.

London, Aug. 13.—The Russians for the time being are holding in check the Baltic flank of the German check the Ballic Hank of the German armies which are struggling to cut the Warsaw-Petrograd railroad and are battling toward the Dvina, beyond which lie the roads to the Russian capital. This has been accomplished with the aid of reinforcements and by virtue of one counter-attack after

Kovno Holding Out. The fortress of Kovno still holds out, German attacks toward Riga have been repulsed and the railway junction at Dvinsk remains in Russian

From Ostrolenka, north of Warsaw, to Chelm, in the south, the Teutons claim to have made further progress, but between the Vieprz and the Bug they apparently have been thrown back with heavy loss.

Is Von Hindenburg Waiting? It may be that Field Marshal von Hindenburg has not exerted his full

With Justice Porter.

HEART OF WILSON

Sary for the success of a Mexican peace conference.

Villa's proposal was contained in a telegram from Dinz Lombardo, his secretary of state, to his agency here.

"If the peace conferences between the factions in Mexico reach a successful end," Lombardo's message the factions in Mexico reach a successful end," Lombardo's message the factions of Mexico reach a successful end," Lombardo's message to a Mexican peace conference.

Touched by Letter From Mother

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der restraining the enforcement of the commission three cent increase in the gas rates. Late this afternoon attorneys for the commission announced they had not determined their next step in the case, but would confer late today or Saturday. It is regarded as probable that the cases will be taken to the supreme court for final de-

It was to secure an early decision ting you on having had a son whose dignity it was to die in the service of his country, but my heart goes out to cite Lines Hard.

It was to secure an early decision in the case that Judge Flannelly came to Topeka today and was in confer-Washington, Aug. 13.—Ultimate rethe cases are disposed of immediately, the judge urged, there is not opportu-

John Kinkle, member of the comput independents on the same footing John Kinkle, member of the com-as companies controlled by the hard coal carrying roads.

The decision affects freight rates on anthracite coal from the Pennsyl-vania coal fields. Generally lower is up to the gas company. Unless it The decision affects freight rates on anthracite coal from the Pennsylvania coal fields. Generally lower rates called reasonable are prescribed and the roads required to establish through routes and publish through rates to be paid by all shippers.

The reductions amount to 15 cents a ton on shipments of the so-called prepared sizes such as stove, chestnut and egg coal from the mines to tidewater, and 10 cents a ton on the smaller sizes of coal. These rates will remain, under the commission's order, as at present. "It is not the province of the commission to urge upon the Missouri commission."

PENNSYLVANIA OIL UP

that every dollar contributed would go to the beneficiaries, as the relief workers have incurred no expense in making the collections or meeting other details.

Rain and Wind at Wichita.

St. Locations of many ings by the Bobo and Zamor factions and a half of rain fell here this morning, accompanied by high wind and other details.

STUFF IN KANSAS

Toll of Get-Rich-Quick Firms Is Greatly Reduced.

Annual Loss Drops From \$4,000,000 to \$100,000.

ALL THRU UNCLE SAM NOW

Mail Order Business Cannot Be

Regulated. Convention to Fight Fake Pro-

motion Plans.

Kansas' annual toll to get-rich-quick concerns has been reduced from \$4,-000,000 to less than \$100,000, according to a statement today by S. T. Seaton, in charge of the blue sky department in the state bank commissioner's office. Virtually the only fraud now practiced on investing Kausans, Seaton states, is through mail order concerns which cannot be reached by

the state law.

In the old and palmy days of gold brick speculation, Kansas was the haven of rest for every salesman of worthless stocks and bonds in the worthless stocks and bonds in the country. There are few prosperous, well established farmers and business men in Kansas who have not somewhere stored a block of stock in a wild cat concern, as a testimorial of their teeth cutting days in the business world. Hundreds of Kansas widows have invested their small in-heritance in projects which never returned a dollar to the investor. These little blocks of stock in the widow's strong boxes represent millions of tears and days of want and privation in many cases.

Free From Trouble Now Now Kansas is virtually clear and free from the worthless stock celling projects, according to Seaton. Yet in the four years the blue sky law has been on the statute books, there has been but one criminal prosecution un-der the law. That was in Atchiso-county two years ago when one of the agents for the famous MounDay project was prosecuted for failing to show proper respect for the state law. The MounDays and other stock selling promoters were prosecuted through the federal courts.

Conservative estimates made perfore the enactment of the blue sky law were to the effect that the state was were to the effect that the state was

concern carries a permit from the blue sumed with a gain of five points in sky department. This condition has fortified the larger, more reputable in Virginia Iron Coal and Coke.

"With a rigid federal statute and the present blue sky law in the state, I believe we could shortly wipe out every dollar of loss by Kansas investors,'

UNLUCKY COMBINATION

Time This Year.

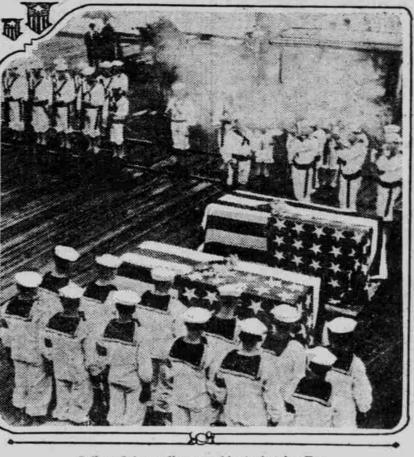
combination. Indeed there are persons who believe the big war started in 1914 simply because there were three such combinations during the year. This is an excessive number of unlucky Fridays.

But 1915 has only one such up But 1915 has only one such un-lucky day and that is today and 1916 will be just as good. In 1914 the

ITALIAN MOUNTS SPOUT

Smoke and Steam Pour From Vesu-vius and Mt. Etna; People Flee.

NAVAL HONORS ACCORDED BLUEJACKETS WHO GAVE LIVES FOR PEACE IN HAYTI



Sailors firing volley over bluejackets' coffins.

Boston accorded naval honors to William Gompers of Brooklyn, N. Y., a nephew of Samuel Gompers, the president of the American Federation of Labor, and Carson Whitehurst of Norfolk, Va., both members of the crew of the U. S. S. Washington, who were killed on July 29 when some Haitian rebels resisted the landing of the American sailors at Port-au-Prince. After sailors had fired a volley over the flag-draped coffins on the pier at Charleston navy yard, Boston, the hearses were escorted through the city by a naval delegation and the bodies put on the train to be taken to relatives.

RAIL SHARES FALL UNDER SEA; IN AIR

Extreme Weakness Follows De- U. S. Plans Many Planes and cision Against Coal Roads.

Adversely Affected.

Hindenburg has not exerted his full power in the north, but is awaiting events in the south before hammering his hardest toward the Dvina, near the banks of which his cavalry have been for some time.

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Judge Flannelly in Consultation

With Justice Portor

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Reading made an initial decline of four points and Lehigh Valley fell as much later, losing almost a total of six points. The entire railway list was adversely affected with lesses of 1 to 2 points in the Pacifics and some of the eastern roads.

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stock selling concerns and has made easier their work in this state. But the company without a permit has rough sledding. "If it were possible to get a detailed

Zeppelins Again Raid East Coast of England.

Six Dead, 23 Injured, 14 the next naval program should provide for liberal expenditures for undersea ships and aircraft." Houses Are Damaged.

airship raid last night on the east also are to be asked for. What the coast of England.

Six persons were killed. One Zep-dreadnoughts as invulnerable as pos-

Six persons were killed. One Zeppelin, the announcement says, probably was damaged, but escaped.

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Six Joseph, Mo., Aug. 13—The Topeka Savages made their last appearance of the season here this afternoon, and the occasion was celebrated with a doubleheader bill. that six persons were killed, twenty-three were injured and fourteen houses were damaged seriously by The first meeting of the naval ad-

and wounding the same number, one ventors of the country. if you are superstitious, the worst is not yet to come. It's here.

Today is Friday, the Thirteenth, which is considered a most unlucky combination. Indeed, the seventeenth air invasion of Great Private and Company of the Zeppelins in the attacking party being brought down and destroyed near Ostend, according to the admiralty's report. Today's raid is the seventeenth air invasion of Great of the Zeppelins in the attacking admiralty's report. Today's raid is the seventeenth air invasion of Great Britain since the war began.

The aircraft evidently appeared off the east coast at about dusk. The of-ficial statement from the admiralty timed the raid as 'yesterday evening and last night."

Rome, Aug. 13.—Both Vesuvius and Mt. Etna, Italian volcanoes, which suddenly became active this week, wage increase and for a reduction of continue to spout forth great columns the working day from 11 to 10 hours, of steam and smoke, according to dis-

Continent Producers.

Chicago, Aug. 13.—The relief fund which now totals \$475,000 will be distributed to survivors of the steamer according to a plan announced today by the South Penn Oit according to a plan announced today by the South Penn Oit Chicago division of the American Red Cross.

For a few special cases, however, a pension plan has been devised.

Indications are, Mr. O'Connor said, that every dollar contributed would go to the beneficiaries, as the relief workers have incurred as a continuent producers.

Continent Producers.

Chicago, Aug. 13.—The relief fund which now totals \$475,000 will be distributed to survivors of the steamer and the price of the principal grades of crude oil was announced today by the South Penn Oit company.

The hourly readings:

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The flames from the reawakened which never visible for many miles along the west coast of Italy last night. Naples dispatches, that a large part of the package freight that is shipped was of St. Louis is hauled over the Eads bridge that little damage had been done thus by teams to the railway freight station in East St. Louis A similar continuent for the principal grades of crude oil was announced today by the South Penn Oit captured.

Ocean Plungers.

Erie and Reading Hit; All Lines Big Expenditures Planned for Latest War Engines.

> Washington, Aug. 13 .- President Wilson has postponed discussion of the national defense question with Secretary Garrison and Daniels until

Mr. Garrison is away for the week The president will confer with Rear Admiral Benson, chief of operations when he sees Secretary Daniels next week. He will not pass upon war and navy estimates, however, until he has conferred with the chairmen of the congressional committees.

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Want Air and Undersea Craft. Secretary Daniels declared today there was an overwhelming sentiment in the country generally for large inoreases in submarines and air craft.

"The people in inland states, particularly, seem to have come to the conclusion that there should be large increases in submarines and acroplanes for our naval defenses," said Secretary Daniels.

"Many of our c. izens who do not

"Many of our clizens who do no mean to attach that importance to dreadnoughts which naval experts do or who doubt the navy judgment of the dreadnoughts, are satisfied tha

Build Drendnoughts, Too. Much attention would be given to London, Aug. 13.—Official an- said, in framing the naval program, nouncement was made today of an but more and stronger dreadnoughts

UNLUCKY COMBINATION

This is the second air raid on the English east coast this week. Late Monday night and early Tuesday, a German air squadron raided the British east coast, killing 14 persons

Time This Year

The Savages started the scoring in

SHOWERS ARE GENERAL

Rain Has Fallen Over a Large Part of the State.

Showers have been general in Kansas in the last twenty-four hours with the exception of the southwest portion. Temperatures have ranged be-low normal. The forecast calls for unsettled weather with the probability Between 1,200 and 1.500 Drivers Tie

Up St. Louis Traffic.

St. Louis, Aug. 13.—A strike of teamsters, which began here today when 300 men employed by two transfer companies walked out, extended shortly before noon to practically example to the control of the state, and in the east portion saturday.

There was a light shower at Topeka between ten and eleven o'clock Thursday night netting .01 of an inch. This was followed by an early morning rain—12:15 to 3:30 o'clock—which measured .49 of an inch.

fer companies walked out, extended shortly before moon to practically every teaming firm in the city.

Between 1,200 and 1,500 men are now on strike.

The strike resulted from the demand of the union for a ten per cent grees below normal today. The wind grees below normal today. The wind

was seven miles an hour from the

MORE TROUBLE IN HAIT

Caperton Establishes Military Rule

ALLIES REPORTED TO HAVE CUT OUT **BIG GRAIN ORDERS**

Some Seaboard Exporters Close Out Open Contracts.

Wheat Prices Plunge on Unconfirmed Report.

WHAT'S HAPPENED IN EUROPE?

Prospective Opening of Dardanelles Is Suggested.

Source of New Supply or Inability to Pay, Says Patten.

WHEAT TAKES A TUMBLE ON CANCELLATION RUMORS

Chicago, Aug. 13.—Unconfirmed reports, which J. Pierpont Morgan was quoted as denying, that the allies were canceling orders for wheat, were reflected on the board of trade at the opening today in prices 1½ to 3½ under yesterday's close. September wheat, the option most affected, closed yesterday at \$1.11½. It sold in different parts of the pit at the opening today at \$1.10 to \$1.07½. Immediately thereafter there was a sale at \$1.08. December contracts showed a max-December contracts showed a maximum opening decline of 34 cents at \$1.96. Traders generally were skeptical as to the importance of the cancellations, but the tone of the market was nervous.

esterday by representatives of the allies of contracts aggregating nearly 2,000,000 bushels of wheat bought for September shipment to Europe, was puzzling the grain trade early today. Not only were cancellations reported by Chicago concerns, but some seaboard exporters claimed to have closed out open contracts. Canadian exporters also reported some cancel-

Patten Is Puzzled.

James A. Patten, a former board of trade operator, discussing the cancellations, said:

"If peace were in sight, Europe would still need wheat, and she would have the credit to get it. The cancelseeem to indicate one of two things, Either Europe has found a source of

new supply, which means Russia; or It was said that two of the largest firms which cancelled contracts were the Armour Grain company and the J. Rosenbaum Grain company.

Dardanelles Soon Open. George C, Marcy, president of the Armour company, said: "I am unable to understand what has happened abroad. It must be (Continued on Page 2.)

Savages Wind Up Schedule in Missouri Town Today.

Against "Dazzy" Vance.

from sinking them."

The first meeting of the naval advisory board, to be headed by Thomas
A. Edison, will be held some time next against the Drummers Thursday and

The Savages started the scoring in the first inning with one run, after which they held the Josies in their

The score at the end of the fifth inning was 5 to 9 in favor of Topeka. BASEBALL TODAY.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

At Buffalo-First game.

Chicago at St. Louis-Game post-FEDERAL LEAGUE.

Score: R
St. Louis 0
Buffalo 1 Batteries-Crandall and Chapman; Schulz and Allen.

At Baltimore-First game-Bender and Owens,

BRITAIN WANTS A MILLION **HEAD OF AMERICAN CATTLE**

Helena, Mont., Aug. 13.—C. O. Robinson, representative of a large packing company of Chicago, made public here today a copy of a cable-gram from Liverpool sent to the Chicago office, asking that an estimate be furnished of the cost of one million head of American beef cattle, delivered at Liverpool.

The order, if filled, said Robinson, would require a payment of about \$100,000,000 and would make vast inroads on the available cattle in the United States. Helena, Mont., Aug. 13,-C. O.